

Sacramento Administration

CDF BUILDING RATING SHEET

Site Name: Davis Mobile Equipment Facility Building: State Residence
 Ranger Unit: Butte Evaluator: Mark V. Thornton
 County: Yolo Date: November 1994
 Quad: Davis 1952 (revised 1981) Elevation: 25 feet
 Legal: located in the N 1/2 of Section 7 Township 8 North Range 3 East MDB&M
 Ownership: California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection Builder: CCC/WPA (?)
 Architect: unknown Plan No.: unknown
 Building type: Ranger's Residence Infrastructure type: wood frame

	POINTS
1. Integrity/Building Design:	1 <u>-5</u>
2. Integrity/Building Location:	2 <u>0</u>
3. Integrity/Building Aesthetics:	3 <u>0</u>
4. Special Features, Building: basement	4 <u>1</u>
5. Integrity of Setting:	5 <u>-2</u>
6. Integrity/Associated Buildings/Equipment:	6 <u>0</u>
7. Aesthetics/Natural Setting:	7 <u>-3</u>
8. Special Features, Site:	8 <u>0</u>
9. Association: CDF & CCC	9 <u>10</u>
10. Surviving Number (rarity): 1	10 <u>5</u>
11. Date of Construction: circa 1935	11 <u>10</u>
Total:	T <u>16</u>

Comments:

The Davis Nursery Compound S-5 Form references a 1935 residence at this site. A photograph located at the Nursery Administration Office identifies the subject house as being constructed circa 1940 with materials salvaged from a dismantled 1922 barn. The barn was a two-story Colonial Revival styled building with gambrel roof. The house does not look like the old barn, and it is not certain that it was constructed of 1922 materials. Because of this, the residence has been evaluated as an "in situ" 1935 building. This is the only house of this design in the CDF building collection that was reviewed for this project. It has undergone several cosmetic revisions. The installation of an enclosed patio across the front elevation and a bedroom addition on the southeast corner (circa 1981) further detracts from the building's historic architectural character.

CDF BUILDING RATING SHEET

Site Name: Davis Mobile Equipment Facility Building: Old Warehouse/Truck Garage
 Ranger Unit: Butte Evaluator: Mark V. Thornton
 County: Yolo Date: November 1994
 Quad: Davis 1952 (revised 1981) Elevation: 25 feet
 Legal: located in the N 1/2 of Section 7 Township 8 North Range 3 East MDB&M
 Ownership: California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection Builder: CCC/WPA
 Architect: U.S. Forest Service - CCC construction program Plan No.: USFS "N" series variation
 Building type: Warehouse/Truck Garage Infrastructure type: wood frame

	POINTS
1. Integrity/Building Design:	1 <u>-10</u>
2. Integrity/Building Location:	2 <u>0</u>
3. Integrity/Building Aesthetics:	3 <u>0</u>
4. Special Features, Building:	4 <u>0</u>
5. Integrity of Setting:	5 <u>-2</u>
6. Integrity/Associated Buildings/Equipment:	6 <u>0</u>
7. Aesthetics/Natural Setting:	7 <u>-3</u>
8. Special Features, Site:	8 <u>0</u>
9. Association: CDF & CCC	9 <u>10</u>
10. Surviving Number (rarity): 1	10 <u>5</u>
11. Date of Construction: circa 1937	11 <u>10</u>
Total:	T <u>10</u>

Comments:

The building's 32 foot width gives evidence that this warehouse facility was probably based on the USFS-CCC era "N" working plan series. The Davis Nursery Compound S-5 Form does not list this building. The Davis Equipment Facility manager, as well as an old site map, testify that the building was probably erected by the CCC circa 1937. Circa 1983 the building was extensively remodeled. Original fenestration has been changed, siding replaced, and the overall historic character greatly diminished. This is the longest (131 feet) warehouse building that was inventoried for this report.

CDF BUILDING RATING SHEET

Site Name: Davis Nursery/L. A. Moran Reforestation Center Building: State Residence
 Ranger Unit: Butte Evaluator: Mark V. Thornton
 County: Yolo Date: November 1994
 Quad: Davis 1952 (revised 1981) Elevation: 25 feet
 Legal: located in the N 1/2 of Section 7 Township 8 North Range 3 East MDB&M
 Ownership: California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection Builder: State of California
 Architect: State Engineer Plan No.: unknown
 Building type: Residence Infrastructure type: wood frame

	POINTS
1. Integrity/Building Design:	1 <u>-5</u>
2. Integrity/Building Location:	2 <u>-5</u>
3. Integrity/Building Aesthetics:	3 <u>0</u>
4. Special Features, Building:	4 <u>0</u>
5. Integrity of Setting:	5 <u>-2</u>
6. Integrity/Associated Buildings/Equipment:	6 <u>2</u>
7. Aesthetics/Natural Setting:	7 <u>-3</u>
8. Special Features, Site:	8 <u>0</u>
9. Association: CDF & DOT-Nursery	9 <u>10</u>
10. Surviving Number (rarity): 1	10 <u>5</u>
11. Date of Construction: 1922	11 <u>15</u>
Total:	T <u>17</u>

Comments:

C. Raymond Clar's book, *California Government and Forestry: from Spanish days to 1927*, reports that the California Legislature granted authority to the State Board of Forestry to establish a nursery in 1917. No funding, however, was appropriated to accomplish the task. In 1920 the State Highway Commission agreed to work with the Board of Forestry in securing a nursery. Thirty acres were acquired and, in 1921, the Legislature approved \$20,000 for the construction of buildings upon the site. Clar's book continues to report that the State Engineer drafted plans for "two residences" and several other buildings in "a colonial design" (pgs 476-477). The subject house may be the sole survivor from that construction project. It was relocated circa 1940 to make way for road construction. It was moved again circa 1959 to make way for the Highway 40 (Interstate 80 today) construction project (reference CDF Plan 4452 SC). Through these moves the rear elevation apparently was redesigned. Circa 1988 a small room was added to the southeast corner. The front facade has experience several cosmetic alterations. All of these changes diminished the building's over all historic architectural integrity. But this is the only 1920s house in the CDF building collection and it is considered an important cultural resource.

CDF BUILDING RATING SHEET

Site Name: Davis Nursery/L. A. Moran Reforestation Center Building: 2-Bay Residence Garage
 Ranger Unit: Butte Evaluator: Mark V. Thornton
 County: Yolo Date: November 1994
 Quad: Davis 1952 (revised 1981) Elevation: 25 feet
 Legal: located in the N 1/2 of Section 7 Township 8 North Range 3 East MDB&M
 Ownership: California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection Builder: CCC/WPA
 Architect: U.S. Forest Service - CCC construction program Plan No.: USFS "J" series variation
 Building type: 2-Bay Residence Garage Infrastructure type: wood frame

	POINTS
1. Integrity/Building Design:	1 <u>-2</u>
2. Integrity/Building Location:	2 <u>-5</u>
3. Integrity/Building Aesthetics:	3 <u>0</u>
4. Special Features, Building:	4 <u>0</u>
5. Integrity of Setting:	5 <u>-2</u>
6. Integrity/Associated Buildings/Equipment:	6 <u>2</u>
7. Aesthetics/Natural Setting:	7 <u>-3</u>
8. Special Features, Site:	8 <u>0</u>
9. Association: CDF & CCC	9 <u>10</u>
10. Surviving Number (rarity): 2	10 <u>4</u>
11. Date of Construction: 1940	11 <u>10</u>
Total:	T <u>14</u>

Comments:

The Davis Nursery Compound S-5 Form lists an 18' x 28' garage constructed in 1940. The subject building is believed to be that garage. It was relocated circa 1959 to make way for the Highway 40 (Interstate 80 today) construction project. There are a number of CCC era residence garages in the CDF building collection. The Davis garage is similar to the building at the San Andreas Ranger Unit Headquarters.

CDF BUILDING RATING SHEET

Site Name: Davis Nursery/L. A. Moran Reforestation Center Building: Barn/Storage
 Ranger Unit: Butte Evaluator: Mark V. Thornton
 County: Yolo Date: November 1994
 Quad: Davis 1952 (revised 1981) Elevation: 25 feet
 Legal: located in the N 1/2 of Section 7 Township 8 North Range 3 East **MDB&M**
 Ownership: California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection Builder: CCC/WPA (?)
 Architect: unknown Plan No.: unknown
 Building type: Barn Infrastructure type: wood frame

	POINTS
1. Integrity/Building Design:	1 <u>-5</u>
2. Integrity/Building Location:	2 <u>0</u>
3. Integrity/Building Aesthetics:	3 <u>0</u>
4. Special Features, Building:	4 <u>0</u>
5. Integrity of Setting:	5 <u>-2</u>
6. Integrity/Associated Buildings/Equipment:	6 <u>0</u>
7. Aesthetics/Natural Setting:	7 <u>-3</u>
8. Special Features, Site:	8 <u>0</u>
9. Association: CDF & CCC & Nursery	9 <u>10</u>
10. Surviving Number (rarity): 1	10 <u>5</u>
11. Date of Construction: 1940	11 <u>10</u>
Total:	T <u>15</u>

Comments:

The 1961 S-5 Form for the Davis Nursery Compound lists this as a 31' x 75' building erected in 1940. Both a 1937 map (with updates) and a 1947 map show the building as approximately 43 feet wide. The barn has three sections plus open end shelter addition. The north end consists of a 31' x 50' main unit with an 11' x 50' addition along the west elevation. The third section is a 31' x 25' addition located on the south gable end of the main unit. A 25' by 11' shed roof shelter fills the inset between the two additions. The original barn (31' x 50' unit) may have been based on one of the USFS-CCC era "M" series designs. There is some suggestion that this part of the barn predates the CCC era and that circa 1940 it was reconstructed. The west and south additions are believed to have been in place by 1952. It is unclear why the S-5 form does not include the west addition. These additions tend to detract from the building's overall historic character. The associated nursery plant buildings all postdate the barn. This is the only "barn" in the CDF building collection reviewed for this report.